

hedonic damages, injury to reputation and all other nonpecuniary losses of any kind or nature.

(4) **SCHOOL.**—The term “school” means a public or private kindergarten, a public or private elementary school or secondary school (as defined in section 14101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8801)), or a home school.

(5) **STATE.**—The term “State” means each of the several States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, any other territory or possession of the United States, or any political subdivision of any such State, territory, or possession.

(6) **TEACHER.**—The term “teacher” means a teacher, instructor, principal, administrator, or other educational professional, that works in a school.

SEC. 07. EFFECTIVE DATE.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—This title shall take effect 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) **APPLICATION.**—This title applies to any claim for harm caused by an act or omission of a teacher where that claim is filed on or after the effective date of this Act, without regard to whether the harm that is the subject of the claim or the conduct that caused the harm occurred before such effective date.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization will meet on May 18, 1999, in SR-328A at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss noxious weeds and plant pests.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, May 26, 1999, at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony on S. 510, a bill to preserve the sovereignty of the United States over public lands and acquired lands owned by the United States, and to preserve State sovereignty and private property rights in non-Federal lands surrounding those public lands and acquired lands.

Those who wish to submit written statements should write to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510. For further information, please call Amie Brown or Mike Menge (202) 224-6170.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of

the Senate and the public that S. 1027, a bill to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes Resources Conservancy, and for other purposes, has been added to the agenda of the hearing that is scheduled for Thursday, May 27, 1999, at 2 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington DC.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Subcommittee on Water and Power, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 364 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC, 20510-6150.

For further information, please call Colleen Deegan, counsel, or Julia McCaul, staff assistant at (202) 224-8115.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, June 9, 1999, at 2 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to continue the oversight conducted by the subcommittee at the April 6, 1999 Hood River, OR hearing on the process to determine the future of the four lower Snake River dams and conduct oversight on the Northwest Power Planning Council's framework process.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Subcommittee on Water and Power, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 364 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC, 20510-6150.

For further information, please call Colleen Deegan, counsel, or Julia McCaul, staff assistant at (202) 224-8115.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO MR. KENNETH J. LEENSTRA

• Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of a Vermont business and civic leader who is retiring today. Kenneth J. Leenstra is leaving as the president of General Dynamics Armament Systems in Burlington, VT. Over the past 35 years, he held several management positions at General Electric, Lockheed-Martin, and most recently at General Dynamics.

Ken oversaw the Burlington plant through the defense drawdown after

the end of the cold war. It was a difficult time for the workers, and for managers like Ken who struggled to keep his plant efficient while orders dwindled. Through it all, Ken was dedicated to developing solutions that met the needs of his customers, and on maintaining a commitment to quality that meant that Burlington-made products were second to none. His commitment to quality earned his business numerous awards that are widely recognized across the defense industry.

On behalf of his many friends in the Burlington area, I want to express my thanks to Ken and his family and wish him the very best as he embarks on his retirement. •

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO FILE

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, on behalf of the majority leader, I ask unanimous consent that the committees have until 6 p.m. to file any reported legislation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 18, 1999

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today it stand in recess until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 18. I further ask unanimous consent that on Tuesday immediately following the prayer the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume debate on the motion to proceed to S. 96, the Y2K bill with the time until 9:45 equally divided.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that if the cloture is not invoked, the Senate then proceed to morning business for 60 minutes under the control of Senator HELMS for a special order in memory of Adm. Bud Nance, for his dedication to the Senate and to our country. And I ask that following that time, the Senate return to the debate on the motion to proceed to S. 96.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. SESSIONS. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess from the hours of 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for the weekly policy conferences to meet.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, the